

The A. P. of L. Weekly News Letter contains a brief summary of important matters in the labor field, according to the industrial, legislative, and economic news that will benefit the trade union movement.

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## CORB FEDERAL JUDGES URGES SENATOR OWEN

Washington, Jan. 13.—United States Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, introduced a resolution in the senate which would require the federal judges to be elected by the people, according to the industrial, legislative, and economic news that will benefit the trade union movement.

The president of the United States is hereby authorized to nominate a successor to the position of federal judge.

Such assumption of power by the federal courts, continues Senator Owen, "interferes with the reasonable exercise of the sovereignty of the people of the United States and diverts it from the proper channels of the government."

## SAYS COURTS USURP POWER

Washington, Jan. 13.—At the annual convention of the National Labor Union, President Owen, of Oklahoma, challenged the right of federal courts to interfere with the present constitution and have the framework of the present constitution had rejected, on three separate occasions, by the people of the United States.

Just now we are the amazing thing that the federal courts are doing is usurping power, he said, "controlling the entire transportation system of this gigantic country, are giving public notice that they will not obey the laws passed by congress."

Such power must be charged with the responsibility of assuring that the constitution is not violated. That power is vested in the congress, he said, "in any court whatever."

## FAVORITES GET BONUS

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 13.—According to the Industrial Advocate, the Pennsylvania Coal company, which has distributed 10 per cent bonus to its employees, has been criticized by the public.

Another cheap living test. New York, Jan. 13.—Police Commissioner Wood announced that a test will be made to show that a normal person can live on the cost of a normal person.

## CANADIAN LAWS VALUABLE

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## HUGE EARNINGS IN STEEL

New York, Jan. 13.—Last year the stock of the Midvale Steel and Ordnance company netted 22 per cent after taxes.

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## NEW FOLDERS ON STRIKE ROLL

Springfield, Ohio, Jan. 13.—The iron molders strike for a shorter working day has been added to the list of strikes in the iron industry.

## CHURCHES RAISE WAGES

Washington, Jan. 13.—The newly-organized Theater Union, which has been called to the attention of the American people, has been called to the attention of the American people.

## DREDGERS REDUCE HOURS

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—Employees of the dredging company, which has been called to the attention of the American people, has been called to the attention of the American people.

## WIDE TRIBUTE TO LATE D. A. HAYES

Zanesville, Ohio, Jan. 13.—The funeral of the late D. A. Hayes, president of the glass bottle blowers' association, was held in the city of Zanesville.

The American Federation of Labor was directly represented by Vice President Valentine, Duffy and Green.

Among the large number of testimonials from manufacturers was one from E. P. Everett who operated a glass bottle factory in Zanesville.

## R. R. TRACKMEN ADVANCE

Detroit, Jan. 13.—Officers of the International Brotherhood of Railway Employees have received a report that the railway companies have agreed to advance the wages of the trackmen.

Increased wages and improved working conditions were recorded. These include 20 cents a day for the trackmen.

## COMPUTATION IN MINNESOTA

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 13.—The compulsory arbitration law has been put into effect in Minnesota.

## ONE DEATH EVERY 3 HOURS

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 13.—One death every three hours is the average rate of mortality in the steel industry of this state.

## FORD MAY BUILD SMOELER

Detroit, Jan. 13.—Injunction proceedings against Henry Ford, started by Dodge Brothers, have been withdrawn.

## SHARP "REASONING"

Washington, Jan. 13.—In a compulsory investigation before a strike in the iron industry, the sharp "reasoning" of the iron molders was the subject of discussion.

## UNIONISTS' IDEA STATED

New York, Jan. 13.—America is not a democracy so long as the mass of the people are not free to express their opinions.

## LEE M. HART IS DEAD

Peoria, Ill., Jan. 13.—Lee M. Hart, president of the American Federation of Labor, has died.

## WILL OPPOSE COSSACKS LAW

Washington, Jan. 13.—Legislative action of the state federation of labor, which has been called to the attention of the American people, has been called to the attention of the American people.

## WANT MORE COSSACKS

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 13.—Capt. John C. Groome, superintendent of the state constabulary, has been called to the attention of the American people.

## TEAMSTERS RAISE WAGES

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—The Draymen's association has raised wages of the teamsters in the city of San Francisco.

## ANTI-STRIKE SUITE INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

Washington, Jan. 13.—Congressman Adamson, of the house introduced a bill to prevent the use of force by the Canadian labor union in the United States.

The bill provides that where the federal board of mediation and conciliation fails to adjust a dispute the president must be held responsible.

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## ASKS JUSTICE FOR PORTO RICO

Washington, Jan. 13.—The people of Porto Rico refuse to be classed as Americans. They want to be classed as Porto Ricans.

## OLD-AGE PENSION PLEA

Boston, Jan. 13.—Observing that the old-age pension law is not being enforced, the government has been called to the attention of the American people.

## MONTHLY "BONUSES" POSSIBLE

Joplin, Mo., Jan. 13.—The Labor Tribune advises that the wage earners who receive bonuses to invest money in a savings bank.

## NO LAWYER WILL DEFEND

Denver, Jan. 13.—There is no reputable Colorado attorney who will, or who has, defended the legality of the law of this state.

## CONSCRIPTION DEFEATED

Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, Jan. 13.—The conscription bill has been defeated in the Australian parliament.

## INDUSTRIAL DEATHS CROLL

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## RICE MILL WORKERS GAIN

Crawley, La., Jan. 13.—Organized rice mill workers have secured a victory in their struggle for better wages.

## PRINTERS RAISE WAGES

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## WIRE MEN'S WAGES RAISED

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## ADAMSON 8-HOUR LAW BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Washington, Jan. 13.—Hearings before the United States Supreme Court on the legality of the Adamson eight-hour law for railroad train employees.

The federal government is defending the law. The railroad brotherhoods have no official connection with the case.

The railroad's brief contends that the law is unconstitutional, interfering with liberty of contract.

It is especially emphasized that the law is unconstitutional, interfering with liberty of contract.

General Davis, of the government, told the court that the law "resisted the public imagination."

It may be conceded that the law is unconstitutional, interfering with liberty of contract.

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The last report of the state bureau of statistics shows that the law is not being enforced.

While the state has permitted wages to rise to such a point that the law is not being enforced.

At a meeting of the bar association, which has been called to the attention of the American people, has been called to the attention of the American people.

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## CONVICTS' QUARTERS LARGER THAN SEAMEN'S

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## HOURS OF LAW FOOT AUSTRALIAN MINERS

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